

storing the acquired program guide information;
writing a program list on the basis of the stored program guide information; and
displaying the written program list to a user in response to the program guide command.

5. (THREE TIMES AMENDED) The program guiding method as claimed in claim 3, further comprising:

determining whether the program guide information is effective by comparing a current time to an effective period of stored program guide information, and
proceeding to said writing the program list when the stored program guide information is effective, before said acquiring the program guide information.

12. (THREE TIMES AMENDED) A program guiding method in which a program list for each channel is displayed in response to a program guide command, the method comprising:

writing and displaying a program list including program guide information of channels tuned before a program guide command is executed, from stored program guide information;
acquiring program guide information being broadcast for each channel by searching for accessible channels in a background operation while the program list is referred to;
storing the acquired program guide information for each channel;
rewriting a program list on the basis of the stored program guide information; and
displaying the rewritten program list to a user.

19. (FOUR TIMES AMENDED) An apparatus for acquiring program guide information of accessible channels and guiding program guide information acquired in response to a program guide command in a multichannel receiver, the apparatus comprising:

a tuner tuning a channel;
a program guide information detector detecting program guide information introduced via said tuner;
a memory storing the program guide information for each channel detected by said program guide information detector;
a key input introducing a user manipulation command such as a program guide command or a channel search command;